

REPORTER GOT WRONG STEER

Story Written Undoubtedly Was a Good One, but the Facts Didn't Bear It Out.

Some years ago Carl Crow, author of "Japan and America," was the cub reporter on a Texas newspaper, one of his duties being to cover the police station. One day, just before press time he made his usual trip to see the desk sergeant.

"Have a great story for you," said the sergeant. "We arrested a parrot out on Front street awhile ago on a charge of using abusive language. The neighbors complained so much we had to go out and lock the old bird up."

After getting a few more details Crow rushed back to the office and wrote a funny story about the arrest of the bird. He was congratulating himself on landing a story on the first page, an hour or so after the paper got on the streets, when the telephone bell rang and he had to listen to a torrent of abuse from an irate lady at the other end of the line. It developed that she was Mrs. Parrot, and she had been arrested for using abusive language, but she bitterly resented being written up as a bird. After she had exhausted her vocabulary and was preparing for a new start, she asked:

"What is your name?"
"Crow," said the reporter.
"What did you say?"
"I said my name was Crow."
"You think you are blamed smart, don't you?" said the freshly insulted Mrs. Parrot as she hung up the receiver.

ELASTIC FASHIONS IN CHINA

Everything in Any Way Suitable for Wearing Apparel "Goes" in the Province of Kiangsu.

Hull, Kiangsu province, North China, home of the slant-eyed Flora McFlimsey of Far Cathay! Not like Madison square there; you can't plead "nothing to wear" in Kiangsu, for anything is in style; everything goes! From Suchien, in the North China Daily Herald, comes this:

"The fashions here this year are ideal. Every man wears what is right in his own eyes and there are few to ridicule. A panama goes jauntily down the street followed by a fur-covered brim cap. Felt hats of scarlet and verdigris green follow along with grays and browns that really do the amateur haters credit. Eskimo top capes, a few derby hats and the smart military uniforms give the streets a piquancy that one used to miss in the monotonous China-blue crowds.

"Of all the notices posted on the city gate the one that attracts the most attention is the fashion plate that has been exhibited for weeks. It displays two or three of the typical 'Western' suits. There are the 'swallow-tailed' and the low-front frock for evening functions. There one finds the plaited skirts recommended for the women. The proud silk of 'stove-pipe' hat has its corner with the other felts.

"A wise concession to the soaring prices of leather is made in the optional styles of shoes. The cloth boot now has its place with the newer leather."

Remains of Cliff Man.

While driving their sheep out of a natural cave in a lonely part of the Navajo Indian reservation several miles south of Bluff, Utah, Indian herders discovered the remains of a man. The matter was reported to Frank Hyde of Bluff, who got in communication with the Indians and bought from them a perfect mummy of an ancient cliff dweller.

The Indians also gave Hyde the skins of an animal that resembled a muskrat stuffed with tobacco leaves. Two pipes made of soft lime rock were also found, and a fine wound reed basket. A pair of sandals were also among the articles brought in by the Indians.

The features of the mummy resemble those of the present-day Chinese. The man was of small stature.

More Insane Than in College.

Enforcement of the law by probate judges preventing epileptics and feeble-minded from being married would correct many of the evils eugenics are striving to abolish. Harry C. Bowman of the Kansas board of control told the Kansas Conference of Charities and Corrections. Talk of eugenics, he said, was useless.

The speaker said juvenile courts accomplished much reformation, but county and city jails seldom cause permanent reformation. He deplored the increase in imbecility, declaring the census from 1904 to 1910 showed an increase of 25 per cent in hospitals—12 per cent of the entire population.

"There are more insane in the United States than students in colleges and universities," said Bowman.

Irish Soldier Gave Warning.

A new story of the British encounter with the Prussian Guards is told by a corporal of a Warwickshire regiment who is wounded and at home in England.

"The night the Prussian Guards attacked us around Ypres," he says, "it was only by chance and heroism that we were warned in time. An Irishman of the King's Liverpool regiment had gone out of the bounds to meet a girl. Coming home late he stumbled on the Germans stealing quietly toward our position.

"Without a thought of consequences to himself he dashed toward our guard to give the alarm. The Germans shot him in both legs, but he got through with the warning."

Yes, Do It Now

DO your shopping early while the good things are on tap, Grab the early bargains while they're on the bargain map. Don't be one of those kites that hit the shopping trails When all the clerks are weary after forty thousand sales. What's the use of loafing while the early shoppers win? When you are sweating lava, those same early birds will grin!

Christmas eve the pleasant girls who ladle out the toys Will be so worn and weary they'll have no Christmas joys. Haven't they a right to holler at your putter and delay? Pray leave them strength to celebrate a bit on Christmas day! If you put off your shopping till the very last hour, I hope you draw a lemon that is second-hand and sour!

The tardy shopper blithely said, "A Merry Christmas girlie!" The clerk replied, "If you were dead or did your shopping early We could enjoy a little fun around our Christmas table, But slow-pokes keep me on the run, till Christmas joy's a fable."

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How to Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffing, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

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Ira E. Tash has received a letter from Sapt. Corbin dated at Las Vegas, N. M. He spent a couple of days there on his trip to California. Few bad roads have been encountered and the trip is being enjoyed immensely.

I am in the market to buy your potatoes. See me for prices. Phone 246. R. W. BEAL, Office corner 2nd and Box Butte Ave., basement Reddish block.

Mrs. J. J. Rodgers returned to her home at Edgemont, the early part of the week, following a short visit at the home of Mrs. B. W. Beardon. Miss Cleontha Beardon accompanied her to Edgemont, returning to Alliance the next day.

James Stapleton, bookkeeper at the Dierks Lumber Co. office in this city, has been transferred to Hazard, Nebr., where he has been placed in charge of the yards of the company at that place. Mr. Stapleton has been with the company for some two years, coming to Alliance in June from Broken Bow, where he was employed in the office of the company there.

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